

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT No. 1
Bridgewater Township
PO Box 109, MARTINSVILLE, N. J. 08836**

Martinsville Station # 1
Martinsville, NJ
December 11, 2012

Minutes of the November 13, 2012 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 pm by Chairman Rose, who gave notice of the Sunshine Law requirements.

Present were Commissioners: Mr. Rose, Mr. Lichtig, Mr. Kalafsky, Mr. VanNostrand and Mr. Durant. Also present was Chief Bradley and Asst. Chief Cowley. .

The minutes of the October 9, 2012 meeting were distributed via e-mail and hard copy. Motion made by Mr. Durant to approve, second by Mr. Lichtig and passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's report for October and November, as of November 13, 2012, was presented, a motion was made by Mr. Kalafsky to approve; second by Mr. Lichtig and passed. The bills for September up to November 13, 2012 were presented, and motion to approve all presented bills was made by Mr. Kalafsky, second by Mr. Durant, and passed unanimously.

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:09 PM. It was requested that all wishing to speak must stand, state their name and address:

No interest or response from the attending public to speak.
The meeting was closed to the public at 8:10 PM.

Correspondence:

No Correspondence- just Invoices and Advertisements

The Chief's report for October 2012 was distributed; (no questions were raised.)

A motion was made by Mr. Kalafsky to accept the Chief's report, second by Mr. Durant, and was approved unanimously.

Old Business:

Martinsville Rescue Squad:

No Report

Insurance and LOSAP:

Monday evening 11/5/2012 at approximately 8:45 pm the Command Vehicle 43-10 was involved in single-vehicle accident and sustained damage to the front end when a utility pole came down and the vehicle came in contact with the cables and wires from the pole. No reported injuries. The Insurance company and Valtec have been notified.

Membership and Personnel:

- No Report

Trucks Out of District:

- None at this time

Bridgewater Joint Board:

- November 20th meeting location -TBD

New Development:

- No Report

Vehicle Training:

- Ongoing

New Fleet Apparatus:

The officers have lost two weeks with the power outage and extra work due to Super Storm Sandy, their meeting was cancelled and additional time is needed. The BOFC may need to put some round order of magnitude cost in the budget and on the 2013 election ballot as a public question. Chairman Rose will bring this question to Braslow for his advice.

New Business:

2013 Budget:

- The BOFC District #1 Martinsville, NJ was distributed a proposed. The proposed budget has remained flat, the same amount \$468,331.00 for the last two years.

Mr. Durant raised the question if it is a good idea (*responsible*) to keep the budget the same and not take the 2% increase allowable by law. Discussion followed to take 2% increase for capital improvement / contingency. (\$9,366.00).

A motion was made by Chairman Rose to increase the current proposed budget by 2% (\$9,366.00) for emergency contingency for a total 2013 proposed budget of \$477,697.00; the motion was seconded by Mr. Kalafsky. The motion was approved unanimously.

Resolution 2012-20 - 1st reading of the 2013 Budget for a total amount \$477,697.00 approved unanimously.

- We received information on computer intellectual properties; Mr. Rose will review with Mr. Braslow and put together a plan.
- Mr. Rose will pursue FEMA for monies and/ or grants for the generator at Station #2
- No progress on the rent comparison, Mr. Durant will continue to pursue.
- On Behalf of the BOFC, we would like to thank the Martinsville Fire Department for the commendable work they did during Super Storm Sandy.
- All candidates for the position of Chief and Asst Chief had been received by the BOFC. A motion to accept all candidates presented by the MVFD to the Board for the 2013 position of Chief and Asst Chief was made by Chairman Rose; second by Mr. Van Nostrand and passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn the November 13, 2012 meeting was made by Mr. Kalafsky, and seconded by Mr. Durant. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm.